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At the beginning of the week prices were unchanged to lower in most areas with the exception of New York where the prices were unchanged. As the week progressed prices were lower in New York but unchanged in all other locations. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail and food service demand was mostly light to at times moderate. Supplies were usually fully adequate to ample. Breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for the fair demand. Floor stocks were fully adequate to ample. Finished product demand was generally sufficient. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was weak. Removal costs for light type hens were unchanged to lower. Offerings were fully adequate with a good demand. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices ranged 1.5-8.5 cents, mostly 4.5-5.5 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was weak. Retail and food service demand was mostly light to at times moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to 2 cents lower with checks and undergrades down 2 cents. Offerings were fully adequate to ample and included graded loose shell eggs. Demand was fair. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	34-44	35-41
LARGE	33-43	34-37
MEDIUM	22-32	24-27

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however all sizes were trending slightly lower. Trade sentiment continued mixed, but ranged mostly barely steady to at times weak. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for present trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to ample for the irregular demand. Spent hens were fully adequate to ample for slaughter needs. Demand was reported as at least moderate to good.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	46-61	47-50
LARGE	40-54	45-49
MEDIUM	27-40	32-34

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

COMBINED REGIONAL

May 27, 2005

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	48.50	47.00	35.00
SOUTHEAST	45.50	43.50	33.00
MIDWEST	39.00	36.50	26.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	50.50	46.50	36.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	46.08	43.49	32.90

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN			
	05-31-05	05-24-05	06-01-04
Large	16-25	17-26	44-51
Medium	6-11	6-12	27-31

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- May 31, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO		SO		5-Area
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.9	14.4	8.1	10.9	11.3	57.6	
	Change	2.4	0.0	1.0	-2.0	-1.5	0%	
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	24.1	42.9	14.8	27.1	38.0	146.9	
	Change	-2.1	0.9	0.9	3.1	0.2	2%	
Large	Curr Wk	52.7	158.0	79.5	100.4	119.4	510.0	
	Change	3.7	16.1	9.3	-0.4	18.4	10%	
Medium	Curr Wk	15.1	55.2	18.4	29.8	34.6	153.1	
	Change	-1.3	3.1	-0.9	1.9	6.0	6%	
Small	Curr Wk	4.8	25.3	6.0	8.6	3.7	48.4	
	Change	-0.5	2.7	1.7	4.0	0.2	20%	
Misc	Curr Wk	4.5	32.2	8.2	10.4	6.0	61.3	
	Change	-0.1	3.2	-2.0	-1.4	0.7	1%	
Ungraded	Curr Wk	23.4	44.1	19.0	40.9	28.3	155.7	
	Change	0.3	-0.1	1.9	4.6	-4.4	1%	
Total	Curr Wk	137.5	372.1	154.0	228.1	241.3	1133.0	
	Percent Change	2%	7%	8%	4%	9%	7%	
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change		Number of Cooperators		
Shell Egg		1133.0		7%		175		
Shell Egg Breaking Stock		292.0		20%		35		
Total Shell Egg		1425.0		9%		210		

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 28-MAY-05(LBS IN THOUSANDS)
(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,356,875	30,692	14,296	7,974	3,398	4,490
PW	1,359,889	31,354	14,379	7,735	2,837	4,548
LY	1,270,374	29,043	12,976	6,965	3,293	4,358
% Chg PWK	0%	-2%	-1%	3%	20%	-1%
% Chg LY	7%	6%	10%	14%	3%	3%
2005	26,968,482	639,392	267,319	143,573	59,208	92,804
2004	25,261,627	598,138	243,258	135,101	56,846	87,368
% Chg YTD	7%	7%	10%	6%	4%	6%

Average Yield Per Case -

	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.34	42.66	41.99
(Inedible Excluded)	39.03	39.32	38.56

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	MAY 21	MAY 28	MAY 21	MAY 28
	Thousand			
AL	31,466	31,659	21,818	21,834
AR	31,284	31,587	*24,203	25,658
DE	4,077	4,091	5,975	5,435
FL	1,344	1,363	*1,249	1,476
GA	33,651	33,619	26,986	27,950
KY	7,106	7,149	*5,849	6,350
LA	4,104	4,105	3,838	4,197
MD	*9,005	8,991	*5,761	5,475
MS	18,856	18,849	17,055	17,169
NC	*18,993	18,689	15,073	15,608
OK	*6,458	6,566	*5,429	4,355
PA	*4,111	4,100	*3,136	3,055
SC	5,239	5,060	4,734	3,299
TX	15,401	15,404	13,062	13,058
VA	6,591	6,621	5,683	5,271
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,239	18,165	*17,354	16,669
19 State Total	*215,925	216,018	*177,205	176,859
Previous Year Total	214,186	212,907	175,320	175,708
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101

* Revised

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 09-Jul-05 is estimated at 162.2 million head. This compares to 162.7 million head the previous week and to 164.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 147.8 million head and the composite weighted average price was 83.44 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 05/25/05-05/31/05

CURRENT LDS 54.50 FUTURE LDS 59.75 TOTAL LDS 114.25

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	24.67	—	25.50	27.22	—	25.00	10.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	38.50	42.00	1.50
GL W XL	—	34.20	36.75	38.22	29.92	33.00	28.50
GL W LG	—	33.88	32.42	33.60	25.63	27.00	22.75
GL W MD	26.00	—	24.00	25.00	18.00	19.50	4.50
GL W SM	22.63	26.63	—	—	21.00	21.50	2.50
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	23.33	22.00	25.00	61.25
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	17.00	18.00	1.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	16.33	18.00	7.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 28-MAY-2005

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
Atlanta	24.4	24.4	0	9
Boston	3.2	3.6	-11	0
Chicago	63.6	65.2	-2	16
Detroit	29.6	23.0	29	16
Kansas City	3.0	6.5	-54	-54
Los Angeles	120.1	112.7	7	27
New Orleans	6.2	5.9	5	0
New York	29.5	30.2	-2	-4
St. Louis	16.0	18.0	-11	1
San Francisco	18.0	19.3	-7	-10
Total	313.6	308.8	2	12
4 Week Moving Avg.	308.6			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 28-MAY-05

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,890	2,528	17	1	4,436
Avg Wt	16.26	37.59	25.46	50.55	28.46
Last week	1,980	2,623	12	1	4,616
Same wk yr ago	1,768	2,609	43	9	4,429
Avg Wt	15.61	37.13	25.05	31.79	28.41
To-date/2005	34,213	53,344	461	62	88,080
To-date/2004	36,134	52,252	919	150	89,455

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

Week ending 28-MAY-05

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	AVG
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD- LIVE WT
North East	726	-12	23.76	(A) 727 23.76
South Atlantic	689	0	31.87	(A) 689 31.87
North Central	2,175	1	32.00	(A) 2,175 32.00
South Central	583	-10	18.01	(A) 583 18.01
West	262	-11	26.31	(A) 262 26.31
U.S. total	4,435(B)	-4	28.46	1 4,436 28.46
To-date				
2005	88,018(B)			62 88,080
To-date				
2004	89,305(B)			150 89,455

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 17,000; for the current year to date 461,000; for last year to date 919,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

W/E 28-May-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	162,024	1,646	1,401	3,047	490
Avg Wt	5.23	3.32	8.13	5.53	6.41
Last week	163,035	1,709	1,540	3,249	487
Same wk yr ago	161,220	1,403	1,382	2,785	472
Avg Wt	5.25	3.41	8.01	5.69	6.78
To-date/2005	3,323,903	32,582	28,614	61,196	10,585
To-date/2004	3,247,678	27,670	26,920	54,590	9,655

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 164.0 million head, or 2.5 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 04-Jun-05

CLASS	Current Week 06/04/05(1)	Previous Week 05/28/05
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	155,013 (2)	169,660
Light hens	1,419	1,657
Heavy hens	1,281	1,452
Total	157,713	172,769

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 04-Jun-05 is 165.9 million head compared to 144.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 155.3 million head or 10.6 million less than estimated available. For the week of 11-Jun-05 the estimated available is 167.1 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/**FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING		MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
April	23	163.1	166.1	98%	5.33
	30	164.7	166.1	99%	5.46
May	7	166.0	166.1	100%	5.30
	14	165.3	166.3	99%	5.32
	21	165.0	166.3	99%	5.30
	28	164.0	166.5	98%	5.23
Year to date		3364.2	3434.3	98%	
June	4		165.9		
	11		167.1		

FINAL BROILER/FRYER Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 30-MAY-2005 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	66.00-69.00	68.70	42 :	68.88	78
Los Angeles	81.00	80.40	62 :	74.96	164
New York	71.00-74.00	72.18	22 :	70.11	58

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from 30-MAY-2005	23-MAY-2005	23-MAY-2005	31-MAY-2004
	71.69	-1.51	73.20	81.82
NUMBER OF LOADS	670			

MONTHLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE FOR R.T.C BROILER/FRYERS

	Weighted Average	Loads
MAY	72.54	2,698.00

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	WTD	LBS
8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-69	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-69	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	67-68	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	67-69	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	67-68	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM	05/30/05	3,369	115,461	46,363
AM	05/01/05	3,407	112,518	48,154
CHG		-38	2943	-1791
PCT CHG		-1%	3%	-4%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 30-MAY-05

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
Southeast (1)	9.5-15.75 CENTS/LB.	11.75-13.5	12.98
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	9-15.75 CENTS/LB.	11.5-13.25	12.56

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

LIGHT TYPE Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

May 27, 2005	REMOVAL COST
REGIONS	RANGE
Eastern	3-13
South Central	Too Few To Report
North Central	1.5-8.5

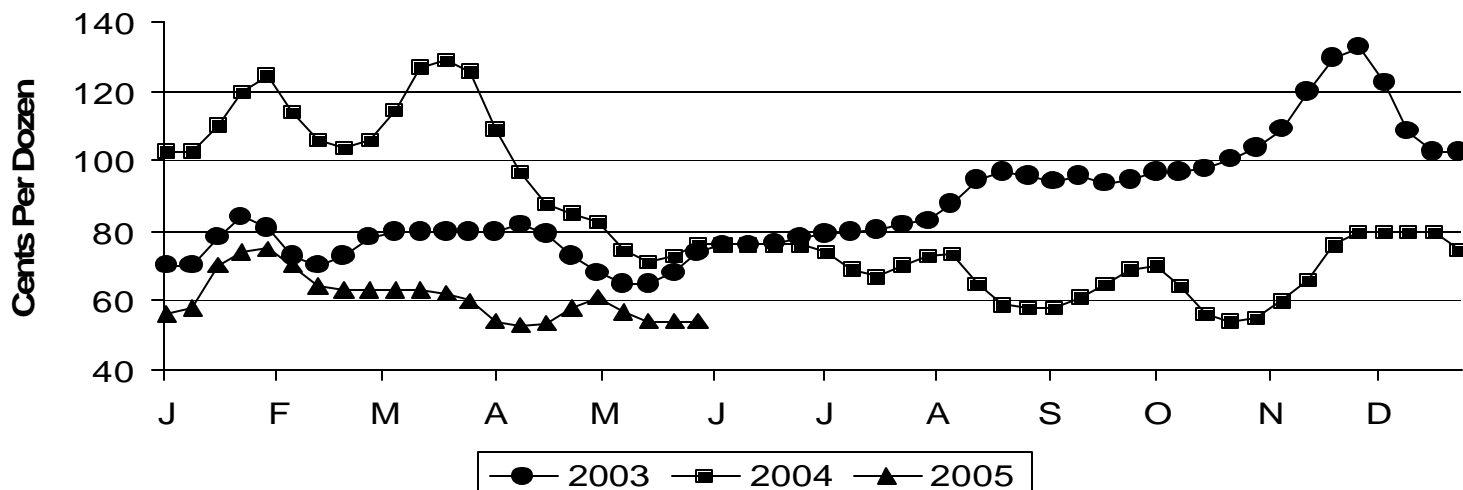
COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

(Receipts From Producers)

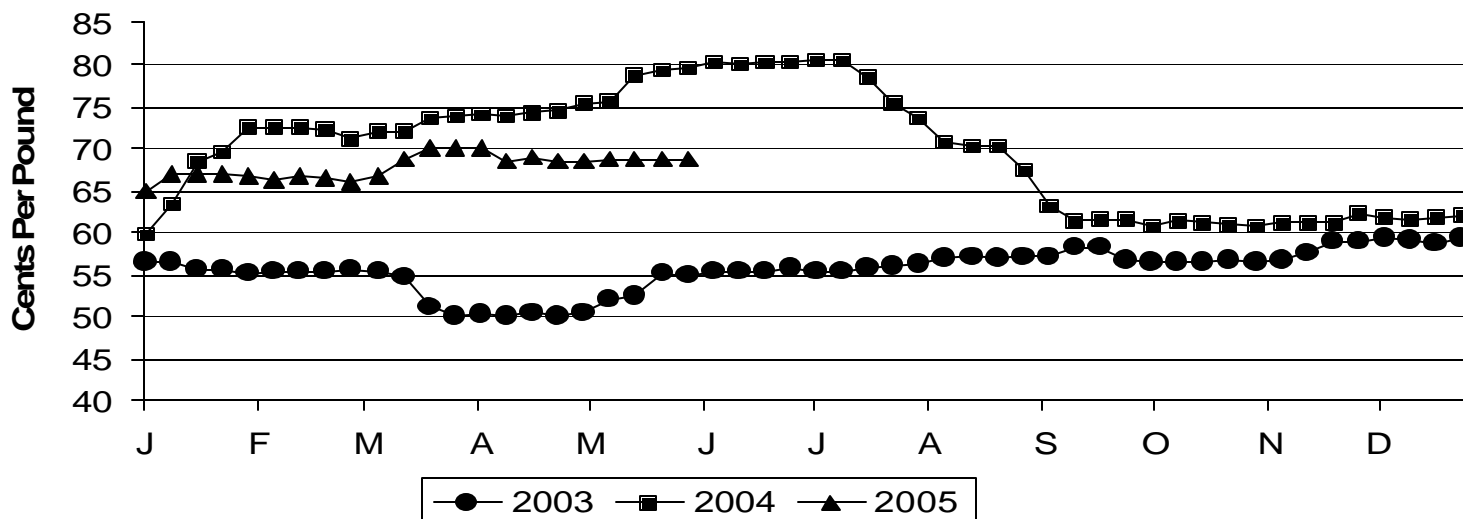
W/E 28-May-2005	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW LY
North Atlantic	253.2	4 4
East North Central	573.4	-5 5
West North Central	272.2	-6 -2
South Atlantic	201.8	2 0
South Central	61.8	12 -12
West	205.3	0 13
Total	1567.7	-1 3
Matched Plants reporting		Previous week 86
		Last year 85

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

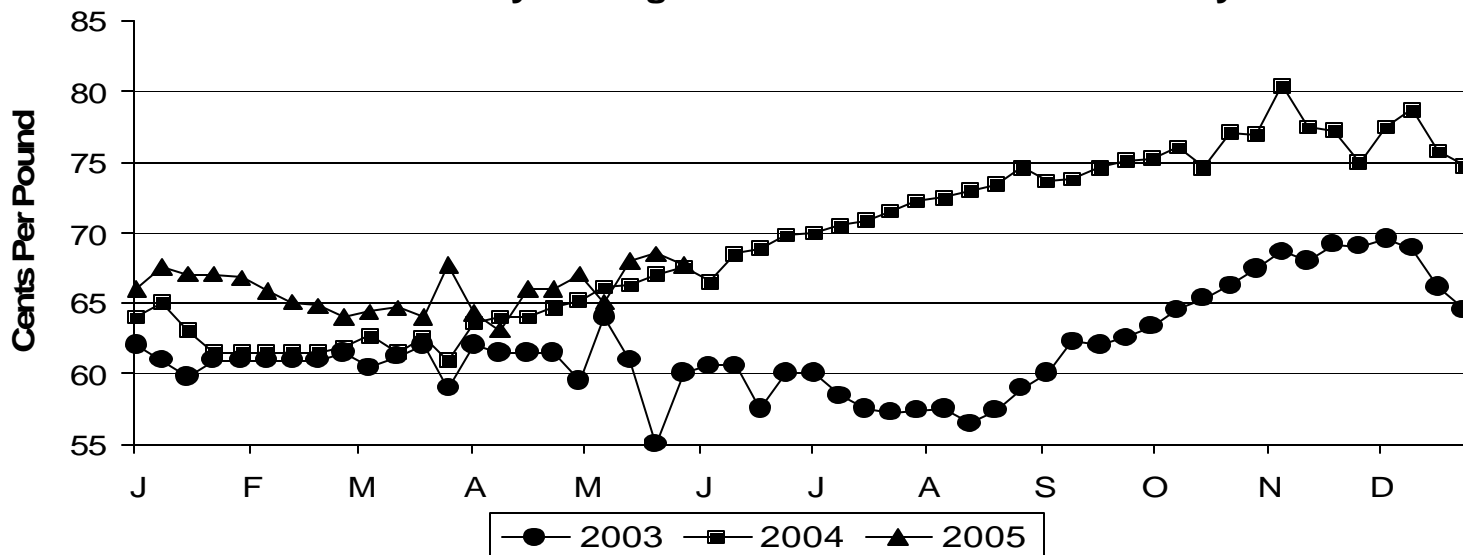
New York Large Weekly Average Price



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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